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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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	AP	"Random-Access Editing of Digital Audio," R.B. Ingebretsen & T.G. Stockham, Jr., J. Audio Eng'g Soc., v. 32, March 1984, pp. 114-122
	AQ	"A Flexible Digital Sound-Editing Program for Minicomputer Systems," M. Griffiths & P.J. Bloom, J. Audio Eng'g Soc., v. 30, March 1982, pp. 127-134

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